

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT &amp; TRADEMARK OFFICE

B/O Form PTO-1390 <b>Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) Concerning a Filing Under 35 USC 371</b>		Attorney's Docket Number SPAN3007/FJD
		U.S. Application Number (if known) <b>10/539,114</b>
International Application Number <b>PCT/EP2003/014206</b>	International Filing Date <b>13 Dec. 2003</b>	Priority Date Claimed <b>20 Dec. 2002</b>
Title of Invention <b>Filling level sensor and method for measuring filling level</b>		
Applicant(s) for DO/EO/US <b>Dietmar Spanke</b>		
<b>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items under 35 USC 371:</b>		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a filing under <b>35 USC 371</b>.</li> <li>2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a filing under <b>35 USC 371</b>.</li> <li>3. <input type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (<b>35 USC 371(f)</b>) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in <b>35 USC 371(b)</b> and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).</li> <li>4. <input type="checkbox"/> The U.S. has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed <b>35 USC 371(c)(2)</b>.           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English (<b>35 USC 371(c)(2)</b>).</li> <li>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (<b>35 USC 371(c)(3)</b>)           <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (<b>35 USC 371(c)(3)</b>).</li> <li>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (<b>35 USC 371(c)(4)</b>). ( <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executed      <input type="checkbox"/> Unexecuted)</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (<b>35 USC 371(c)(5)</b>).</li> </ol>		
<b>Items 11 to 16 below concern other document(s) or information included:</b>		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under <b>37 CFR 1.97</b> and <b>1.98</b>.</li> <li>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with <b>37 CFR 3.28</b> and <b>3.31</b> is included.</li> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.</li> <li>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under <b>37 CFR 1.76</b>.</li> <li>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under <b>35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)</b>.</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> Priority is claimed for German application no. 102 60 969.4 with a filing date of Dec. 20, 2002.</li> <li>20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:      a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements</li> </ol>		
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Application Number (if Known) <b>10/539,114</b>		International Application Number <b>PCT/EP2003/014206</b>		Attorney's Docket Number <b>SPAN3007/FJD</b>											
				<b>Calculations</b>	<b>PTO USE ONLY</b>										
<p>21. The following fees are submitted:</p> <table> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee .....</td> <td>\$300.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee .....</td> <td>\$200.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search Fee .....</td> <td>\$500.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"><b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"><b>\$1,000.00</b></td> </tr> </table>						<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee .....	\$300.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee .....	\$200.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> c) Search Fee .....	\$500.00	<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>		<b>\$1,000.00</b>	
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<p><input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is <b>\$250</b> for each additional 50 sheets of fractions thereof.</p>															
Total Sheets	Extra sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fractions thereof (round up to a whole number)		RATE											
- 100 =	/50=			x \$250.00											
Surcharge of <b>\$130.00</b> for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$	<b>130.00</b>										
<b>CLAIMS</b>	<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>NUMBER EXTRA</b>	<b>RATE</b>												
Total Claims	8	-20 =	x \$50.00												
Independent Claims	1	-3 =	x \$200.00												
Multiple Dependent Claims (if applicable)				+ \$360.00											
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS</b>															
<p><input type="checkbox"/> Reduction by ½ for filing by small entity, if applicable. Small Entity Status is asserted pursuant to 37 CFR 1.27 for this application.</p>															
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>					\$										
Processing fee of <b>\$130.00</b> for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				\$	<b>130.00</b>										
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE</b>															
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). <b>\$40.00</b> per property.															
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01 FC:1617	130.00 DP	Amount to be:		Refunded:											
02 FC:1618	130.00 DP			Charged:											

- a.  A check in the amount of **\$ 260** to cover the fees is enclosed.
- b.  Please charge my **Deposit Account Number 02-0200** in the amount of **\$** to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- c.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account Number 02-0200**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

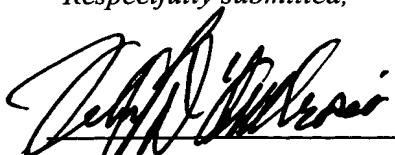
Note: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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*Respectfully submitted,*



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